

ST MICHAEL'S PRIMARY SCHOOL PARENTS' AND FRIEND'S ASSOCIATION



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General Meeting – 12th September 2017

Meeting declared open at: 6pm

Attendance as per attendance book: Monica Oke, Phillip Duncan, Jacinta Davis, Yasmin Lizette, Rachelle Moore, Lucy Duncan, Kate Morrison, Sophie Pavlis, Michelle Lane, Lindy Nelson

Apologies: Greg Turner, Greg Hayes, Natalie Kidd, Chantelle Pryer, Chris Paton

Motion that the minutes from the previous Annual General Meeting be accepted:
Moved: Michelle Lane Seconded: Monica Oke

Business arising from previous meeting:

- Chris Paton to present the committee with a quote for interactive whiteboards. After consultation, it has been recommended that the school replace the current whiteboards with 70" TV's and Apple TV's. The cost would be around \$2600 per class (\$54600 in total).
- Phil was looking into a possible grant from our local member for an electronic notice board. No request has been sent as of yet but will look further into quotes and suitable options before contacting Shelly Hancock.

Correspondence in:

- Jacinta Davis – quotes for electronic notice boards.

Correspondence out:

Presidents report:

Principal's report: see attached

Rainbow book report:

- There have been around 100 notes returned expressing interest in buying the book.
- Another note will go home next term with an order form.
- More photos to be sent to Nicole in the office to approve

Fete committee:

- Fete committee will meet every Friday at the dish and the spoon 9am.
- This year the fete will be opened to outside food venders.

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- Most stalls have been sorted already. Roby Grasso will be cooking for the cake stall this year and organizing recipes for each grade to bake.
- Show bags have been ordered
- Tickets for the major raffle will be out first week next term

Treasurers report: see attached

Motion that the treasurers report be accepted:
Proposed: Monica Oke Seconded: Lucy Duncan

General Meeting / Business:

- Pie drive tomorrow. Orders will be packed in the hall foyer from 12.30. Sophie will ask for more helpers on FB.
- A proposal was made by Mr Paton that the P&F donate \$25685 towards the purchase of library books, classroom readers, air compressor and replacement of interactive whiteboards in the classrooms. It was discussed that all the classroom technology will be replaced in the next couple of years. As the committee needs to hold approx. \$15000 towards the running of the fete the following motion was moved.

A motion that the Parents and Friends association donate \$7485 towards the purchase of library books, Guided readers, and an air compressor.

Motion moved: Michelle Lane Seconded: Lucy Duncan

New Business

Meeting closed: 7.18pm

Next Meeting: Tuesday 10th October 2017

Minutes prepared by: Yasmin Lizette

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Treasurers Financial Report August 2017

Bank Balance (31/07/2017)

\$34,868.37

Receipts:

Soccer Gala income	\$1,758.05
Baking competition	\$434.40
Pie Drive Income	\$1,530.00
Sticky beak bag income	\$8.50

Total Receipts:

\$4,230.95

Total available

\$39,099.32

Less Payments made:

Cheques

\$0.00

Online Payments

Southern Sweets Distributors:	\$305.70
Lollies for Soccer Gala	
Bishops:	\$78.00
R'bursement for drinks - Soccer Gala	
Nat Kidd:	\$104.30
R'bursement Drinks & Packaging - Soccer Gala	
V and C	\$86.80
Bacon and Eggs - Soccer Gala	
Kristy Lochrin:	\$72.00
R'bursement Playground Equipment	
Rainbow Shop	
Southern Sweets:	\$55.65
Donation for book week prizes	

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\$702.45

Total Payments made:

\$702.45

Less Cheques presented from previous month's report:

Less Cheques unrepresented from previous reports:

\$0.00

Balance available as at 31/08/2017

\$38,396.87

Less invoices (expenses) requiring approval:

Library shelving \$1,700.00

IT equipment \$10,000.00

Total requiring approval

\$11,700.00

Funds approved for future expenditure:

Rainbow Shop funds available as 31/08/2017

\$4,954.48

Total funds required for future expenditure

\$11,700.00

Final balance available at 31/08/2017

\$21,742.39

Soccer Gala Profit and Loss

	2017	2016
Income -	\$1,758.05	\$1,806.00
Expenses -	\$685.37	\$538.76
Float -	\$500.00	\$470.00
Profit -	\$1,072.68	\$1,267.24

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PRINCIPAL REPORT

We have had an action packed four weeks since our meeting in August 2017. Besides the usual good teaching in classrooms, a number of educational highlights have occurred.

These include:

- The STEM (Science Technology Engineering Mathematics) day in the school hall and various classrooms for Year 5 and 6 students to demonstrate their knowledge with students from other classes
- NAPLAN Online testing sessions where our Year 3 and 5 students completed the CEO Wollongong's technology readiness tests
- The Enrichment Open Day last Friday where a number of students demonstrated for other students in our school what they had been working on with Mrs Lochrin each Friday.
- Diocesan Christmas Art Competition- Years 5 and 6 were involved, 6 works were selected to go through to the Wollongong judging. Two of our entries have been selected at the next level, a great achievement in the arts for our school.

In sport a number of our students have represented the school in athletics at the South Coast carnival and Diocesan carnivals as well as some individual sports. Over the last two days students in Years 3-6 have attended the Basketball Gala days at Shellharbour.

In the area of Catholic Faith, there have been a number of significant events including:

- The Mini-Vinnies sleep out in the Parish hall. This event was attended by our Mini-Vinnies students who raised over \$2000 for the homeless
- The Father's day BBQ and prayer. This was well attended by many fathers and significant people in the students' lives
- The Feast of the Assumption masses attended by our Year 5 and 6 students. Many parishioners commented on the reverence shown by our students
- The three Year 2 Reconciliation evenings where the Sacrament of Penance was received by many of the students within a very reverent church environment.

Numerous excursions have occurred in the last four weeks including:

- Kindergarten's day at Shoalhaven Zoo
- Year 5's long day to St Mary's Cathedral and the Hyde Park Barracks
- Year 3's excursion to St Mary's Milton Feast day celebrations
- And the Year 2's excursion this Friday to Mogo Zoo.

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In the final two weeks of term, the following significant events will occur:

- The St Cecilia Music celebration on Thursday 14 September 2017 in our school hall
- The Parish Picnic with a Difference in our back playground this Sunday 17 September 2017
- The Parish Dinner on Thursday 21 September 2017
- The Catholic Mission Week launch – Mr Paton and four students attending on Thursday 21 September 2017
- Mini-Vinnies conference at Oran Park – Mrs Tweed and four students attending on Friday 22 September 2017
- St Michael's Feast Day mass in our school hall for all students on the last day of school, Friday 22 September 2017.

Thank you to our Parents and Friends Association for your ongoing support in so many ways.

Christopher Paton
Principal

Finally,

At our last Parents and Friends meeting, I was asked to prepare a list of possible spending on student needs. This list is not exhaustive, but would certainly support the students in our school. A donation towards these items would be most appreciated.

Library Books (through the Standing Orders program)	\$ 2 270
Guided reading and home reader packs for Years 1 and 2	\$ 5 000
Air compressor for sports room	\$ 215
Replacement of Interactive whiteboards in 7 classrooms (see note below)	\$18 200

Total requested donation to school \$25 685

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Note:

Ten years ago, Interactive Whiteboards and projectors were installed in each classroom. The company which manufactured these (Interwrite) stopped production a few years ago and replacement parts are no longer available. Following lengthy discussions with CEO Wollongong over the last two years and recent staff consultation, the recommended replacement option is the purchase of 70" TVs and Apple TVs. This combination would allow Ipads and laptops to remotely communicate and project through the TV and provide almost the same style of interactivity as the previous technology. The school has been advised that the cost of providing and installing this package for each classroom would be in the vicinity of \$2600. We would commence with the infants classes and work our way towards the senior classes. The final cost would be \$54 600. There is already \$10 000 set aside for technology purchasing by the Parents and Friends.

Possible motion to be raised at tonight's meeting

I propose that the St Michael's Parents and Friends Association donate \$25 685 towards the purchase of library books, classroom books, an air compressor, TVs and Apple TVs.

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